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Mr. Nathan Charles Griggs #35560 Dauphin County Prison 501 Mall Road Harrisburg, PA 17111

Re: Griggs v. Fisher, et al., Civil No. 1:CV-00-2219

(Judge Caldwell)

Dear Mr. Griggs:

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MARY E. D'ANDREA

Clerk of Court

I am writing in response to your letter dated January 3, 2001 to the Clerk of Court regarding the case referenced above. Court personnel may not render legal advice to a litigant, nor may they issue any legal relief that is not requested in a motion appropriately filed with the Clerk of Court and served on counsel for any opposing parties.

Please submit any future requests for relief in the form of a formal motion, not in informal correspondence either to the Clerk of Court or to the Judge presiding in your case.

Sincerely,

James P. Van Wie, Esquire

Pro Se Law Clerk

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